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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

DUBOWCHIK ET AL.

APPLICATION NO: 09/717,563

FILED: NOVEMBER 21, 2000

FOR: NEUROTROPHIC BICYCLIC DIAMIDES

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is responsive to the office action mailed April 19, 2001 in the above-identified application which is due for response on July 19, 2001.

Election/Restriction Requirements:

Applicant affirms the provisional election made with traverse to prosecute Group I, claims 1-4 and 7-9, wherein in compounds of formula I, $m = 1$ and $n = 1$.

Improper Markush Rejection

Applicant affirms the aforementioned election which obviates this rejection.